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Chairperson: Mr. Salvioli (Vice-chairperson)

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The public part of the meeting was called to order at 12.45 p.m.

Organizational and other matters (*continued*)

Report of the Inter-Committee Meeting Working Groups on Follow-up

1. **Mr. Iwasawa**, regarding the results of the Inter-Committee Meeting (ICM) said that while the chairpersons of treaty bodies had yet to endorse the points of agreement, he would like the Committee to consider implementing part B, paragraph d, of the report, recommending that States parties translate (if necessary) treaty body decisions to publish and distribute them widely.

2. **The Chairperson** said that implementing the proposal would raise awareness of the Covenant and the concluding observations of the Committee.

3. **Sir Nigel Rodley** said that there were a number of discussions to be held on follow-up procedures, including the idea of forming a joint follow-up body. There was support for the proposal and he would be interested to know whether Mr. Iwasawa could report on discussions held about joint procedures.

4. **Mr. Iwasawa** said that the proposal had not been discussed in the context of follow-up in respect of individual complaints. Section B, paragraph a, noted that there was a need to harmonize the follow-up procedures of all treaty bodies. Section A, paragraph c, also proposed drafting common follow-up procedures. The goal was to adopt best practices and standardize them, but there had been no discussion on establishment of a joint follow-up procedure.

5. **Mr. O'Flaherty** said that there had been suggestions to replace follow-up rapporteurs by expanding the duties of country rapporteurs to include follow-up, or to create a mechanism for follow-up rapporteurs to work with country rapporteurs.

6. **The Chairperson** said that delegating follow-up tasks to country rapporteurs would be difficult because they worked in confidence. A general follow-up rapporteur was an integral part of the Committee; it would be challenging to harmonize the work of both rapporteurs.

7. **The Chairperson** said that the report would be circulated to members electronically for comments.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.